

Remedial Branch update: evening 9/8/17

All 43 Federal Superfund NPL Sites in the affected area have been assessed. Of these, 41 sites have been cleared, and two sites (San Jacinto Pits and US Oil Recovery) require additional follow-up.

EPA directed potential responsible parties or independently started collecting samples at 34 Texas Superfund Sites to confirm no releases due to storm impacts. Two EPA field teams arrived on September 8, 2017, and will be joined by three additional field teams on September 11, 2017. Sampling has been completed at seven sites. The sampling is part of a longer-term assessment that will be used to transition sites to their normal cleanup operations.

US Oil Update: On, September 7, 2017, a total of 16 vacuum truckloads of water (approximately 80,000 gallons) were removed and shipped offsite for disposal. The potential responsible party continues operating pumping equipment and a storage tank to maintain and control overflow. Sampling of the lift station water continues. In addition, soil and ground water samples were collected September 8, 2017. No sheen or odor was observed in the overflowing water.

San Jacinto Update: Cap repairs and underwater cap surveying continues. The EPA dive team is on-site and integrated in the cap survey efforts. Sampling of sediment and surface water sample was completed on September 7, 2017.